



Tennessee Crop Weather

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FIELD CROP AND VEGETABLE PLANTING ACTIVE, RAIN NEEDED

In West Tennessee, cotton conditions have noticeably improved over the past few weeks, making up ground toward where the State's progress would be normally be at this time. Though hay yields were reported as low from the first cutting, the regrowth looked good. As wheat harvest is wrapping up, soybean planters follow closely. Wheat yields were reported as good to excellent with good test weights, and early planted soybeans looked good. Corn crop development is in the silking stage in some areas. Some producers are applying pre-tassel nitrogen. Pasture are starting to dry. The western portion of the state needs a good, soaking rain. Other activities included spraying for pests. In Middle Tennessee, irrigation is running on several acres of row crops. Double crop soybeans are being planted as wheat is harvested. Hay harvest was active, as some producers made their second cutting. Rain is needed. In East Tennessee, though there was good soil moisture, rain was still needed for some row crops and forages. The first cutting of hay and wheat harvest were nearly over. There have been great temperatures for vegetables which were planted late due to spring frost. Some no-till producers are facing challenges, as obtaining good stands in some fields did not develop as expected. Insects, cool weather after planting and very thick cover crops all contributed to this issue. Rain is needed to keep yields on track. There were 6.3 days suitable for field work last week. Topsoil moisture was 6 percent very short, 27 percent short, 65 percent adequate and 2 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture was 3 percent very short, 22 percent short, 73 percent adequate and 2 percent surplus.

CROP PROGRESS					CONDITION					
Crop	This Week	Last Week	2020	5 Year Avg.	Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Percent					Percent					
Corn – Silking	24	9	15	35	Corn	0	3	17	57	23
Cotton – Planted	99	97	99	100	Cotton	4	10	27	53	6
Cotton – Squaring	31	26	27	43	Pasture	2	7	29	54	8
Cotton – Setting Bolls	1	N/A	3	3	Soybeans	1	4	20	61	14
Soybeans – Planted	92	86	91	91						
Soybeans – Emerged	83	75	80	82						
Soybeans – Blooming	7	2	7	11						
Tobacco- Transplanted	87	76	94	89						
Winter Wheat – Mature	97	91	97	N/A						
Winter Wheat – Harvested	82	53	84	87						
Hay – First Cutting	92	85	93	N/A						